



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, Idahoans increasingly look to the water for recreation and relaxation; and

WHEREAS, approximately one-quarter of Idaho's citizens will enjoy some form of boating this year; and

WHEREAS, the number of boating accidents and fatalities demonstrates that boaters should place a high priority on knowing and obeying the rules of safe boating; and

WHEREAS, a review of fatal boating accidents shows that over three-fourths of the victims were not wearing a life jacket and could have survived if they had taken this precaution; and

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's National Safe Boating Week, "Wear It," emphasizes the fact that life jackets save lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C. L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the week of May 19 through 25, 2007 to be

SAFE BOATING WEEK

in Idaho, and I encourage all Idahoans involved in recreational boating to put a high priority on safety by knowing and obeying the rules of safe boating and by showing courtesy and consideration on the water.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at Boise, Idaho, on this 16th day of May in the year of our Lord two-thousand and seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-first and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred seventeenth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. Butch Otter".

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Ysursa".

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE